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### WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-002703 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 26-May-2008

City: Oakland, CA 94607

**OSM Arrival Time:** 700 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 1700 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Contractor: Zhenhua Port Machinery Company, Ltd (ZPMC), Changxing Island **Location:** Shanghai, China

**CWI Name:** Sun Wei **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A **Delayed / Cancelled:** 

**Bridge No:** 34-0006 **Component:** OBG

### **Summary of Items Observed:**

The Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector Gregory Bertlesman arrived on site at the Zhenhua Port Machinery Company facility on Changxing island, China to periodically monitor welding and Quality Control functions. While on site the Quality Assurance Inspector observed and/or discovered the following.

#### **Production Monitoring Test**

The Quality Assurance Inspector monitored the Production Monitoring Tests (PMT) and production welding for the OBG Deck Panels U-rib welding. The weld joint is a single bevel Partial Joint Penetration (PJP) weld that joins the U-rib to the deck plate. The Production Monitoring Test (PMT) is performed prior to the production of the Deck Panels (DP). PMT #1 consists of (3) ribs totaling (6) weld joints, numbered 1 thru 6. Welding was performed on

Gantry 1 and represents production for Deck Panels DP-588-002 and DP-589-002. Welding was performed in accordance with welding procedure specification WPS-B-T-2342 (Dual Process GMAW root pass SAW fill and cover pass). The parameters and welders were recorded in an on site log for future review.

ZPMC Quality Control performed visual inspection of the GMAW weld pass and the subsequent SAW weld pass. ZPMC QC noted the welds as visually compliant. ZPMC QC also performed Ultrasonic Testing of the 500 millimeters selected of each weld and noted them as compliant. The Quality Assurance Inspector performed visual verification the GMAW weld pass and the SAW weld pass and noted them as compliant with contract documents. Upon completion of the visual review the Quality Assurance Inspector selected the areas of the PMT for macro etch samples.

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The Quality Assurance Inspector performed magnetic particle inspection to the tack welds on weld 8 of Deck Panel DP-589-002. Weld 8 contains 24 tack welds. Of the 24 tack welds, 16 appeared to contain linear indications indicative of cracks. ABF representative Warren Buehler was notified by the Quality Assurance Inspector. Mr. Buehler stated that ABF has recommended that all the tack welds be magnetic particle tested. At completion of the Quality Assurance Inspectors shift ABF had begun magnetic particle testing weld 8. Below are two digital photographs of cracked GMAW tack welds located by the magnetic particle testing method.





## **Summary of Conversations:**

As stated in the contents of the above report.

#### **Comments**

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Patrick Lowry (916) 227-5719, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

Inspected By:	Bertlesman, Greg	Quality Assurance Inspector
Reviewed By:	Cuellar,Robert	QA Reviewer